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SUBJECT: EXTAFF OFFICIAL ON CIEC RESULTS

1. SUMMARY: DAVID WRIGHT, HEAD OF EXTAFF CIEC TASK FORCE,
TOLD EMBOFF THAT OUTCOME OF CIEC MINISTERIAL WAS
GENERALLY IN LINE WITH GOC EXPECTATIONS. MAIN "DIS-
APPOINTMENT" WAS FAILURE OF CONFERENCE AGREE ON CONTINUED
ENERGY DIALOGUE. CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC STATURE
GREATLY ENHANCED BY ITS CO-CHAIRING OF CONFERENCE, SAID
WRIGHT, AND "CANADA CAN NO LONGER BE EXCLUDED FROM
ECONOMIC SUMMITRY." EXTAFF CURRENTLY REVIEWING CANADA'S
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ROLE IN FUTURE NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE AND WHAT INITIATIVES
IT CAN TAKE. WRIGHT PAID EXTENSIVE TRIBUTE TO CALIBRE
AND WORK OF USDEL TO CIEC. END SUMMARY.

2. EMBOFF DISCUSSED AT LENGTH CIEC MINISTERIAL WITH
DAVID WRIGHT, HEAD OF EXTAFF CIEC TASK FORCE AND HEAD
OF MULTILATERAL SECTION OF AID AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION.

WRIGHT WAS UPBEAT ABOUT RESULTS OF CONFERENCE, CHARACTERIZING THEM AS GENERALLY IN LINE WITH GOC EXPECTATIONS BEFORE CONFERENCE BEGAN.

3. MOST "DISAPPOINTING" ASPECT OF CONFERENCE WAS ITS FAILURE TO AGREE ON CONTINUING ENERGY DIALOGUE, ACCORDING TO WRIGHT. HE SAID THAT HE FOUND OPEC ATTITUDE PARTICULARLY SURPRISING AFTER IRAN HAD JOINED SAUDI ARABIA IN AGREEING TO SUCH DIALOGUE. WRIGHT THOUGHT THAT G-8 MEMBERS HAD MADE CLEAR TO OPEC COUNTRIES THAT SUCH DIALOGUE WOULD NOT INFRINGE UPON THEIR "SOVEREIGN RIGHTS," BUT APPARENTLY OPEC COUNTRIES WERE UNCONVINCED. IN WRIGHT'S VIEW, IT WAS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL FOR WORLD ECONOMIC HEALTH TO PURSUE ENERGY DIALOGUE, BUT HE WAS UNSURE HOW FOLLOW-UP MEASURES COULD BE PURSUED.

4. WORLD AND CANADIAN PRESS HAD PLAYED UP FAILURE TO REACH AGREEMENT ON ENERGY DIALOGUE TO EXCLUSION OF REAL PROGRESS AT CIEC, ACCORDING TO WRIGHT. THIS WAS UNFORTUNATE BECAUSE IT STRENGTHENED POSITION OF THOSE G-19 COUNTRIES WHO WOULD LIKE TO HAVE TERMED CIEC "COMPLETE FAILURE."

5. WRIGHT BELIEVED THAT CIEC WAS REAL PLUS FOR CANADA AND WORTH TREMENDOUS EFFORT BY HIMSELF AND OTHER GOC OFFICIALS. "CANADA HAD GENERALLY TAKEN BACK SEAT IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC FORUMS BEFORE CIEC," WRIGHT OBSERVED, "BUT AFTER CIEC, CANADA CAN NO LONGER BE EXCLUDED FROM ECONOMIC SUMMITRY." (AS IF TO UNDERSCORE CONFIDENTIAL

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HIS VIEW OF CANADA AS BEING ONE OF BIG BOYS NOW, WRIGHT SAID THAT CANADA HAS OVERTAKEN ITALY IN GNP AND WAS CLOSING IN ON THE U.K.) ALTHOUGH CANADA "NOT IN SAME LEAGUE AS REALLY BIG BOYS--U.S., JAPAN AND GERMANY," WRIGHT MAINTAINED THAT CIEC SHOWED THAT CANADA "COULD HOLD ITS OWN" WITH OTHER INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES.

6. PERSONALLY DISAPPOINTING TO HIM AT CIEC CONFERENCE WAS LOW CALIBRE OF SOME G-19 REPRESENTATIVES, SAID WRIGHT. MANY APPEARED TO BE "PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE-GOERS" WITHOUT MUCH KNOWLEDGE OF "REAL WORLD" OF ECONOMICS AND WORLD POWER POLITICS. THUS, HE SAID, THEY GAVE TOO MUCH ATTENTION TO "PAPER VICTORIES" ON SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES. FOR EXAMPLE, HE CITED EFFORTS OF G-8 TO SHOW G-19 THAT FOOD-PRODUCING COUNTRIES WERE NOW WILLING TO MAKE SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO FOOD RESERVES AND WORLD AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT; HOWEVER, G-19 BRUSHED ASIDE THESE COMMITMENTS BY SAYING THAT RESOLUTIONS OF SIXTH AND SEVENTH SPECIAL UN SESSIONS HAD

ALREADY TAKEN CARE OF THESE ISSUES.

7. WRIGHT RETURNED SEVERAL TIMES TO CALIBRE OF U.S. DEL WHICH HE CHARACTERIZED AS "OUTSTANDING." HE PAID PARTICULAR TRIBUTE TO SECRETARY VANCE'S LEADERSHIP DURING CLOSING HOURS OF CONFERENCE, AND WRIGHT SINGLED OUT DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY BOSWORTH FOR HIS PROFESSIONALISM AT VARIOUS STAGES IN NEGOTIATIONS.

8. GOC IS IN MIDST OF REVIEWING ITS FUTURE ROLE IN NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE AND WHAT INITIATIVES IT MIGHT TAKE, WRIGHT STATED. THERE WERE SOME (UNNAMED) IN EXTAFF WHO BELIEVED THAT CANADA SHOULD NOW STEP ASIDE, BUT WRIGHT THOUGHT THAT CANADA COULD HAVE ROLE IN FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS.

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(CIEC CO-CHAIRMAN ALLAN MACEACHEN, IN HIS FORMAL STATEMENT TO PARLIAMENT ON CIEC, SAID HE HOPED CANADA WOULD HAVE "LEADING ROLE IN NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS IN POST-CIEC PERIOD." (COPY OF MACEACHEN'S REMARKS ENCLOSED WITH

OTTAWA'S A-183, DATED JUNE 13.)

9. SOME OTHER COMMENTS OF WRIGHT WORTH NOTING:

(A) COMMON FUND: G-19 REALLY DIDN'T UNDERSTAND DIMENSIONS OF COMMODITY PROBLEMS AND THEIR PUSH FOR COMMON FUND WAS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF "PAPER VICTORY" THEY WANTED. G-8 AGREED TO COMMON FUND IN PRINCIPLE BUT MOST G-8
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MEMBERS REALIZED ENORMOUS DIFFICULTIES OF DEALING WITH COMMODITY PROBLEMS THROUGH COMMON FUND AND PROBABLY "IN BACK OF THEIR MINDS" THOUGHT COMMON FUND WOULD NEVER MATERIALIZE.

(B) COMMODITY AGREEMENTS: MANY COMMODITIES, FOR WHICH UNCTAD SECRETARIAT AND SOME LDC'S WERE ADVOCATING AGREEMENTS, WERE UNDESIRABLE CANDIDATES. FOR EXAMPLE, COPPER AGREEMENT WOULD BENEFIT MOSTLY U.S. AND CANADA.

(C) G-8 COMMITMENTS - "IT WOULD HAVE BEEN DISASTROUS," SAID WRIGHT, IF G-8 COUNTRIES HAD PULLED BACK ON THEIR COMMITMENTS FOLLOWING FAILURE OF CIEC TO REACH ACCORD ON ENERGY DIALOGUE. IF G-8 HAD TAKEN SUCH ACTION, CONFRONTATION POLITICS WOULD HAVE BEEN COMMON PLACE IN ALL UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND COULD HAVE SOURED BILATERAL RELATIONS BETWEEN INDIVIDUAL G-8 COUNTRIES AND LDC'S. (HERE AGAIN WRIGHT PAID TRIBUTE TO SECRETARY VANCE FOR HIS LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE AND SAID CANADA WAS GRATEFUL THAT U.S. DID NOT TAKE BACK ITS PLEDGES SINCE SUCH ACTION WOULD DEFINITELY HAVE RESULTED IN CIEC COMPLETE FAILURE.) ENDERS

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